ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS:

TOWN OF SNOW HILL

BIKEWAY FEASIBILITY STUDY SNOW HILL, MARYLAND

Sealed bids will be received by TOWN OF SNOW HILL (herein called the "OWNER") at the main office at Town Hall/Municipal Building, 103 Bank Street, Snow Hill, Maryland, 21863, until 4:30P.M. local time on **Friday, August 27, 2021,** and then at said location publicly opened and read aloud in accordance with OWNER policy on a date to be determined.

OVERVIEW

The Town of Snow Hill seeks to improve bicycle access in and through town through a grant from the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) Kim Lamphier Bikeways Network Program. This work will be completed under a contract to include the evaluation, planning and preliminary design of the town's proposed bicycle network. The proposed low-traffic-stress bicycle network will improve safety conditions to encourage bicycling for residents and students who choose to bike to school, commerce, recreation centers and area parks.

The successful bidder must agree to commence work on or before September 28, 2021, and to fully complete the project on or before <u>January 15, 2022</u>, as stipulated by the schedule defined in the MDOT grant agreement.

SCOPE OF WORK

This contract will consist of the following scope of work:

- The evaluation of Snow Hill's roadway network and recommendations for context appropriate bicycle facilities and wayfinding signs;
- The planning and preliminary design of a waterfront promenade along the Pocomoke River connecting Byrd Park, Sturgis Park and Gateway Park;
- The planning and preliminary design of context appropriate bicycle facilities along Dighton Avenue between West Market Street and the proposed trailhead at the west end of Dighton Avenue;
- The planning and preliminary design of context appropriate bicycle facilities connecting Snow Hill Elementary, Middle and High Schools to Snow Hill's commercial district and to the Worcester County Recreation Center at John Walter Smith Memorial Park;
- Investigate the ownership and feasibility of the abandoned railroad between South Church Street and Belt Street for use as an active transportation corridor.
- Opportunities for the public to comment on preliminary findings and recommendations as well as proposed improvements towards the project's completion;
- A final report on the bicycle improvements stated above including low-cost bicycle improvements that can be installed within two years.

The selected contractor will be responsible for coordinating with stakeholders including the Town of Snow Hill, Worcester County Department of Public Works, the Maryland Department of Transportation State Highway Administration (MDOT SHA) and the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR). All work must be consistent with accepted standards including American Association of State Highway Transportation Officials (AASHTO), MDOT SHA Bicycle Policy & Design Guidelines, National Association for City Transportation Officials' (NACTO) Urban Bikeway Design Guide and other standards as appropriate.

This work is being funded through a MDOT Bikeways Grant. In order to abide by the grant end date and finalize the City's requirements beyond the Final Report, including public presentations of findings and report adjustments based on comments received, all work must be completed by the contractor by January 15, 2022.

Bidders are responsible for understanding the local setting and elements required for successfully bidding on this project via satellite and map study, submitting questions or requests for clarification, or site visit(s).

Each Bid must be accompanied by a Bid Bond payable to the Owner for five (5) percent of the total amount of the bid.

A recommended pre-bid meeting will be held at 10:00AM local time on Friday, July 30, 2021, in the offices of the Town of Snow Hill, to allow Bidders an opportunity to obtain information on the project from the OWNER and/or MDOT.

The Town of Snow Hill is an equal opportunity employer (EOE).

The right is reserved, as the interests of the Town of Snow Hill to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities in bids received, to award each part separately, or as a complete package, and to accept or reject any items of any bid.

For more information, please contact Dave Burt, Town of Snow Hill Grants and Environment, at 410-632-2080.